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Two deaths from plague in Honolulu.

[Cablegram.]

HONOLULU, H. I., *December 28, 1901,*
via San Francisco, Cal., January 6, 1902.

Referring to my cablegram of 24th, diagnosis confirmed in both suspicious cases. One died 24th, other to-day. Write to-day.

COFER.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

ITALY.

Report from Naples—Smallpox continues.

NAPLES, ITALY, *December 23, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended December 21, 1901, the following ships were inspected at Naples:

December 15, the steamship *Commonwealth*, of the Dominion Line, bound with passengers and cargo for Boston. There were inspected and passed 294 steerage passengers and 55 pieces of large baggage; 421 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

December 18, the steamship *Perugia*, of the Anchor Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 257 steerage passengers and 89 pieces of large baggage; 341 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

December 18, the Italian steamship *Dinnamare*, bound with cargo for New Orleans.

December 20, the steamship *Trave*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 269 steerage passengers and 62 pieces of large baggage; 394 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

SMALLPOX AT NAPLES.

During the week ended December 21, 1901, there were officially reported at Naples 28 cases of smallpox and 1 death.

Respectfully,

J. M. EAGER,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Statistics regarding pellagra in Venice, Italy.

SIR: As inquiries have been made regarding the pellagra, a disease prevalent in this district, I deem that the following statistics taken from a report of the provincial bureau, in date, January 1, 1901, may be found of interest:

District of Venice.—Burano, 17.

District of Mestre.—Mestre, 30; Chitiguago, 29; Favaro, 8; Marcon, 40; Spinera, 20. Total, 127.

Portogruaro.—Portogruaro, 25; Cavole, 8; Fossolto, 200; S. Stino, 5; Teglio Veneto, 2. Total, 240.

District of Dalo.—Campolongo, 300; Campagua Lupia, 100; Campogogara, 60; Fiesso, 29; Fosso, 24; Mira, 120; Stro, 37; Vigonavo, 10. Total, 680.

District of Mirano.—Mirano, 97; Noale, 7; Pianiga, 100; Salzano, 200; S. Maria di Sala, 12; Scorzé, 270. Total, 585.

District of Chioggia.—Cavarzere, 400; Cana, 7; Pellestrina, 17. Total, 424.

District of S. Danā.—S. Danā di Pione, 300; Cavazueckerina, 60; Ceggia, 6; Fonalto di Portogruaro, 25; Hevlo, 800; Musile, 11; Haventa di Pione, 51; Torre di Mosto, 6. Total, 1,259.

Comparing these figures with those of previous years—e. g., of the year 1898, a sensible decrease is to be noted :

	1898.	1901.
District of Chioggia.....	386	424
District of Dalo	691	680
District of Mestre.....	239	127
District of Mirano.....	527	680
District of Portogruaro.....	481	240
District of S. Danā	1,538	1,259
District of Venezia.....	40	17
Total.....	3,902	3,433

Respectfully,

HENRY N. JOHNSON,
United States Consul.

MALTA.

Malta quarantine regulations.

VALETTA, MALTA, *December 17, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to forward herewith inclosed copies of new Malta quarantine regulations just proclaimed through the medium of the Malta Government Gazette.

[Inclosure.]

MALTA QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

By a proclamation made by the governor of Malta through the medium of the Malta Government Gazette, to-day, radical changes in the quarantine regulations are made. The following is a copy :

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

His excellency, the governor, having heard the opinion of the council of health, has been pleased to repeal government notice No. 307 of December 11, 1901, and to direct that the following regulations be observed as regards vessels and passengers, viz :

INFECTED PLACES.

1. The following countries are, for purposes of quarantine, to be treated as infected : Arabia (except Perim and Aden); China; Egypt (except Port Said and Suez); India.
2. And the following ports: Ports in the Persian Gulf; ports in the Sea of Marmora and the Bosphorus; Smyrna; Batoum.

INFECTED VESSELS.

3. Infected vessels are vessels which have, or have had, on board, during the voyage or the preceding twenty days, cases of cholera, yellow fever, plague, or any disease with symptoms which, in the opinion of the chief government medical officer, resemble the symptoms of the said diseases.

VESSELS WHICH ARE NOT ALLOWED TO ENTER THE HARBOR BUT ARE ALLOWED TO COMMUNICATE WITH QUARANTINE ESTABLISHMENTS.

4. Infected vessels.
5. Vessels with pilgrims from the East, when not carrying a recognized medical officer.
6. Vessels from infected places, when not carrying a recognized medical officer.